

## ACAP is hiring

The Army Career and Alumni Program is now accepting resumes for the position of ACAP Counselor at both the Baumholder and Kaiserslautern offices. This is a contractor position for current U.S. ID cardholders. Position requires a Master's Degree, two years teaching or presentation experience, and computer literacy with Microsoft Word and the Internet. For detailed information call Bobbi Curris at 485-6741.

## Don't let summer slip by

Baumholder's Army Career and Alumni Program will be hosting a Veterans' Administration briefing open to the public July 18 at 10:30 a.m. at the Baumholder ACAP office.

## Connect with ACAP

You need to prepare for your future just as you are preparing for Kosovo so stop by Baumholder's Army Career and Alumni Program office to prepare for life after the military. If you are a soldier separating from the Army within a year, or trying to decide whether or not to leave the Army and a Kosovo deployment is in your near future—you need to begin the ACAP process this summer. Start your ACAP process before you deploy and work on your transition while in Kosovo via Internet, email, and FAX with ACAP counselors. Orders are

not required to attend and going to an ACAP briefing does not mean that you have to get out of the Army if you change your mind at a later date. Contact the ACAP office with any questions on the Army transition process and long distance/deployment ACAP services at mil 485-6330/6741 or civ (06783) 6-6741/6330.

Transitioning soldiers and their family members can take advantage of the following ACAP classes scheduled for July and August:

### Preseparation Briefing

July 18, 8:30 a.m. - noon (VA briefing at 10:30 a.m.)

Aug. 1, 8:30 a.m. - noon

Aug. 15, 8:30 a.m. - noon (VA briefing at 10:30 a.m.)

Aug. 29 at 8:30 a.m. - noon

### Job Assistance Workshop

July 18, 1–4 p.m.; July 19, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Aug. 1, 1–4 p.m.; Aug. 2, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Aug. 15, 1–4 p.m.; Aug. 16, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Aug. 29, 1–4 p.m.; Aug. 30, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Spouses of soldiers leaving the Army are welcome and encouraged to attend all ACAP activities. For more information and to reserve a space for all classes, contact ACAP

at mil 485-6741/6330 or civ (06783) 6-6741/6330.

## ACS at a glance

Army Community Services is celebrating its 35th birthday and invites everyone to celebrate with them July 21 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the courtyard behind ACS. There will be food, kids games, music, cake and more fun stuff.

A newcomers coffee is scheduled from 9 to 11 a.m. Aug. 1 in the Army Community Service lounge.

Army Community Service and the Baumholder Library are offering story hour for children in the morning. Story hours are offered 10 to 11 a.m., July 13 and 27 at the Baumholder Library.

The International Spouses Club meets from 10 a.m. to noon July 19 and 26 in the Army Community Service lounge.

The next Level Three Army Family Team Building class is July 19 and 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Call mil 485-8542 for location details.

Level Two training is July 23 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Level Three classes are set for July 19 and 20 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## ACS calendar

July 14, Principles of Personal Finance

## Youth sport physicals

The Baumholder Clinic will perform youth sport physicals from 9 a.m. – noon and 1–3 p.m. July 22 in the Primary Care Clinic on a walk-in basis. These physicals are for children ages 4 to 15 years old that have not had a physical in the last 10 months and are planning on playing youth services or school sports. A separate sport screening will be offered for high school athletes Aug. 28 at Baumholder American High School.

No appointment is needed. Parents must bring each child's health records and yellow shot record to the clinic. The clinic's record room will be open on July 22 to provide access to health records. Simply show up and we will do the rest. This service provides an opportunity to get children ready for a full year of youth sports.

The screening is free for paying patients since these physicals are done in conjunction with the youth sports program. The necessary forms will be available at the clinic.

For questions concerning sports physicals call the clinic at mil 485-6365. Questions concerning the youth sports program may be addressed to the Youth Services director at mil 486-7276.

## Job corner

### AF positions

Attorney-Advisor (General), GS-12, open until filled

### NAF jobs

The following nonappropriated funds positions are available in the Baumholder community:

### Auto Crafts

Recreation Aid (welder), flexible, \$6.43 per hour, open until filled

Recreation Aid (welder), flexible, \$6.23 per hour, open until filled

### Youth Services

Child and Youth Program Assistant, flexible, \$7.47 per hour, open until filled

### All CDCs

Child and Youth Program Assistant, flexible and regular parttime, \$7.47 per hour, open until filled

### Baumholder Pool

Recreational aid lifeguard, flexible, NF-1 \$6.19 to 7.50 per hour, open until filled, certification not required, training available.

Recreational aid, fitness center, flexible, NF-1, \$6.19 per hour, open until filled

Recreational aid, pool, flexible, NF-1, \$6.19 per hour, open until filled

German positions for the above jobs are also available.

### Rod and Gun Club

Waitress, flexible, \$6.19 per hour, open until filled

Bar Assistant, flexible, \$6.19 per hour, open until filled

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## More to Sniper School than aim, squeeze, fire



Photo by Ignacio "Iggy" Rubalcava

Paired off in two-man teams, one soldier trains his rifle on the target while the second tracks his performance.

**By Ignacio "Iggy" Rubalcava**  
222nd Base Support Battalion Public Affairs Office

Training for 2nd Brigade's upcoming deployment to conduct peacekeeping and police actions in Kosovo continues. The unique requirements of this deployment, though, call for unique training to get the job done. Like any other entrepreneur or manager, a commander needs accurate and up to the minute information to base his decisions in the field. To obtain this valuable information, a commander relies on strategically placed soldiers in the field that can relay real-time information. In this case, the commander's intelligence information comes from an unlikely source — the company sniper.

The mission of a sniper is two fold. His primary mission is to deliver long range precision fire on key select targets and targets of opportunity. His secondary mission is gathering and reporting battlefield information.

As Staff Sgt. David Broseus, an instructor at the Army Sniper School at Fort Benning, GA who recently deployed to Baumholder explains,

"With sniper missions, at least with conventional army forces, 90 percent of what they're going to do is actually their secondary mission. In a stability and support operation, like in Kosovo, the main thing the sniper is going to do, especially once the situation has already been controlled, which this one has, is reconnaissance, surveillance and provide real time feedback to the commanders on what's going on in their area of operation."

Broseus pointed out that the best thing about having a sniper involved with information gathering is that he's specifically trained in some of those surveillance techniques and can provide very accurate reconnaissance information back to the commander. He's also capable of being able to fire and cause very little or no collateral damage or danger to the civilian populous.

"So once he occupies his position, the sniper becomes a 24-hours a day, seven days a week intelligence gathering tool. And then, when a situation presents itself and he has to fire, he also has that capability," explained Broseus.

Considering the current situa-

tion in Kosovo, there's a real need for snipers. "So, the unit (2nd Brigade) identified that need and had us come over and train these soldiers for situations they might encounter," he said.

As 26 soldiers trained their M-24 sniper rifles at targets up to 675 meters down range, Broseus explained that this 10-day course is teaching these soldiers the basics they need to function as snipers and intelligence gatherers. "The actual sniper course is five weeks long. We didn't have the time to conduct that type of training, so what we did is condense it based on the guidance we were given and that was to concentrate on mount techniques and, obviously, long range precision fire. We've shifted focus from normal day to day business at the school and we're concentrating on what these guys are going to be needing to be successful on their deployment," he said.

Rifle fire crackled in the background as Broseus explained that these soldiers are receiving a 10-day crash course in sniper procedures. Each soldier gets individualized training that consists of classroom sessions, PT, and live fire.



Photo by Ignacio "Iggy" Rubalcava

Under the ample shade of trees lining a grassy knoll, 26 soldiers from 2nd Brigade sharpen their marksmanship techniques.

"We're also doing range estimation and target detection exercises. We've done some urban mount operations as well as selection, construction and occupation of a sniper position," said Broseus. The soldiers also received training in operating in an urban environment as well as camouflage and concealment techniques.

Broseus pointed out that the fundamentals of marksmanship are basically the same, relaxing, aiming, squeezing the trigger. "All those basics are going to be consistent with almost any weapon system. The difference here is that the snipers have to be more disciplined in their positions and they have to pay greater attention to detail in order to successfully, round after round, shot after shot, put their rounds, point of aim, point of impact."

All of the soldiers were screened

by their units employing the same standards used at sniper school, such as firing consistent expert with their weapon and having 20-20 correctable vision. Their personality traits are also meticulously scrutinized. They must pass psychological examinations and basically have the unit commander's trust to operate on their own. "They deploy as two-man teams and there is little or no supervision, other than within the team," said Broseus.

He touted the soldiers by saying they are extremely motivated and are progressing very well through the classes and through the techniques that they've been taught.

"Hopefully the unit will be able to put together a good sustainment program to keep their skills sharp until the time they deploy and the commanders will be counting on them," said Broseus.

## 1-6 picks top soldiers

Competition for 1-6 Infantry Battalion Soldier and NCO of the Year was very keen this year with last year's Soldier of the Year returning to claim third place in the NCO of the Year category.

This year's 1-6 Infantry Battalion NCO of the Year is Staff Sgt. David Boddie from Headquarters, Headquarters Company. Finishing second was Sgt. Jessie Sasser, also from HHC and third place went to Cpl. Milton Moreno of Alpha Company. Moreno was last year's Soldier of the Year winner.

This year's Soldier of the Year honors went to Spc. Jim Rivera from Alpha Company. Spc. Andrew

Allman from HHC was a very close second and Spc. Nikolaus Refsland of Alpha Company finished third.

The soldiers competed in the same manner as those who competed for best squad with the addition of going before a board on the second day. Competition included a physical training test, obstacle course, M16 qualification, a road march, five hands on stations and a written exam.

Officials from 1-6 Infantry Battalion thank the many Baumholder community sponsors, German and American, for their contributions and support of this year's Soldier of the Year program.

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Photo by Ignacio "Iggy" Rubalcava  
Lt. Col. Eric Wagenaar accepts the colors of the 222nd Base Support Battalion from Col. Daniel D. Imholte, 104th Area Support Group commander.

# 222nd BSB gets new commander

After a two-year stint, Lt. Col. Steven N. Miller relinquished command of the 222nd Base Support Battalion to Lt. Col. Eric Wagenaar during a change of command ceremony June 19 on the parade field outside of the Rheinlander Convention Center .

Miller departed Baumholder to attend the Army War College. He commanded the 222nd BSB during a dynamic period that included support for deploying units to Kosovo and the upgrade of post security that saw Baumholder's gates close for the first time in the Post's history.

Wagenaar takes command of the 222nd BSB on the verge of yet another deployment to Kosovo by Baumholder's 2nd Brigade that will once again challenge the support capabilities of the 222nd BSB as a premiere deployment platform. Wagenaar comes to Baumholder from Fort Riley, Kansas, where he was the Brigade Executive Officer for the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division.

He is married to the former Beth Willoughby of Moultrie, Georgia. The Wagenaar's have three children: Gregory (12), Christopher (11), and Lauren (7).



Photo by Ignacio "Iggy" Rubalcava  
Concealed in the tall grass, soldiers crouch under the rotors of a Black Hawk and prepare to move in on their objective.

## Germans help soldiers train for Kosovo

As part of 2nd Brigade's preparation for deployment to Kosovo in December, 1-6 Infantry recently conducted a joint ground and air exercise with the assistance of the 501st Aviation Battalion from Hanau. Although air support played an invaluable roll in the success of this exercise, much support came from the German community.

Well before the exercise, 1-6 Infantry solicited the assistance of St. Wendel County representatives, Herrn Holz and Herrn Zimmer. Property owners Anton Hinsberger and

Josef Wolf agreed to allow the Black Hawks to land on their fields so the soldiers could conduct their scenarios. Idar-Oberstein airport managers, Helga and Rolf Rossmann, paved the way for the Black Hawks to land and take on soldiers and return them after they completed their mission. Control tower operator, Fred Zimmer, provided bilingual assistance to the aircraft commanders as they landed and departed the airport. Volunteer translator Daniela Berg helped soldiers communicate with airport officials

on the ground.

Also involved before, during and after the exercise was Dietmar Heidrich, 1st Armored Division maneuver management officer.

"We owe a great debt of gratitude to our German friends that assisted us throughout the exercise.

"We can honestly say they played a key roll in honing the readiness of our soldiers so they can be successful when they deploy to Kosovo," said 1-6 Infantry Command Sgt. Maj. William Gunter.



Photo by Ignacio "Iggy" Rubalcava  
Lt. Col. Raymond T. Yocum, left, accepts the colors of the 8th Finance Battalion from Col. Thomas E. Roberts, 266th Finance Command commander during a recent change of command ceremony. Yocum comes to Baumholder from Fort Bragg, N.C. The outgoing commander, Lt. Col. Mark A. McAlister, leaves Baumholder for an assignment at PERSCOM in Washington D.C.

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# Jane Wayne teaches spouses how to soldier

By Jennifer R. Babich  
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Faces smeared with camouflage, the women crouched behind a pile of sandbags firing M-16's upon the swiftly approaching enemy. But this wasn't a combat training exercise. Instead, it was 2nd Battalion 6th Infantry's "Jane Wayne Day," a day devoted to allowing the 2-6 spouses to learn firsthand what it means to be an infantryman.

After an early-morning physical training session, the spouses – including several decked out in their husband's BDU's – convened for a briefing by 2-6 family support liaison Staff Sergeant Alexander Welsh. Then it was time to get down to business – learning the basics of being an infantry soldier. Moving from one activity station to the next, the eager spouses learned skills ranging from how to apply camouflage to how to throw a grenade.

"This is to let spouses get the feel of what their husbands do,"

SSG Welsh explained, "and to realize the importance of different training environments. It also shows they're concerned about what their husbands' do." Welsh added that he hopes "Jane Wayne Day," as well as "Family Day"—where 2-6 families were invited to observe a Bradley live-fire demonstration the following day, are carried on as annual events.

Highlights of the "Jane Wayne Day" activities included an M-16 marksmanship trainer, individual camouflage application, grenade throws, and force-on-force M-16 training. Spouses were also invited to take a ride in a HMMWV, and explore the various vehicles and small arms on display. When chow time arrived, spouses had the option of lunch in the mess hall or an MRE.

After climbing out of a Bradley Fighting Vehicle, Rebecca LeBlanc gave the day a nod of approval, saying, "I think it's wonderful. Now I understand what (my husband) means when he's talking about certain operations."



Photo by Jennifer R. Babich

Barb Madorma applies a little eye shadow, uh...camouflage on Michelle Phillips for Jane Wayne Day.

LeBlanc wasn't alone in her positive assessment of the day. Flushed with excitement after some force-on-force M-16 training, Keegan Palozewski enthusiastically proclaimed "That was awesome!" Fellow spouse Carrie Murray agreed, adding, "It was scary. (The soldiers) came right at us."

In addition to having a good time and gaining a new understanding of their husband's jobs, the spouses also managed to accomplish a few impressive feats. While training the spouses on the basics of grenade throwing, Staff Sergeant Raymond Cayabyab of HHC 2-6 commented, "I'm surprised some of

them can throw pretty good – better than these guys."

So, in the end, "Jane Wayne Day" was a chance for both soldier and spouse to gain a new sense of respect for their partner. But that didn't stop one soldier from teasing a pink-clad spouse with the words, "Rambo don't wear pink."

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